

## **ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST TRANSCRIPT EVALUATION**

CPS has been contracted by the Department of Health Services to provide transcript evaluation services for Environmental Health Specialist (EHS) trainee. To be hired as an EHS trainee, you must have received a bachelor's degree from an approved institution that includes at least 30 semester units of approved basic science courses.

An evaluation of your education for acceptance as an EHS trainee will be performed upon submission of a completed application with a nonrefundable fee of \$245.25 (payable by Money Order, Cashiers Check or Credit Card) and official sealed college transcripts sent to CPS Human Resource Services, 241 Lathrop Way, Sacramento, CA 95815, Attn: EHS Transcript Evaluation. This application will be valid for 30 months after which a new application will be necessary. It is imperative that you keep CPS informed of any address change.

This evaluation will determine any additional course work required and the amount of training and experience necessary prior to admission to the EHS examination. The evaluation letter will be mailed to you approximately four weeks after the receipt of your application and college transcripts.

### **Contact Information**

CPS Human Resource Services  
241 Lathrop Way  
Sacramento, CA 95815  
EHS Transcript Evaluation

Phone: 916-263-3624 x3061  
FAX: 916-263-3613  
Email: [ehs@cps.ca.gov](mailto:ehs@cps.ca.gov)  
Web Site: [www.cps.ca.gov](http://www.cps.ca.gov)

## Registered Environmental Health Specialist Requirements

106635. The requirements for registration of environmental health specialists shall be a minimum of a bachelor's degree from a department approved educational institution or an educational institution of collegiate grade listed in the directory of accredited institutions of postsecondary education compiled by the American Council on Education, with coursework prescribed as follows:

Basic Requirements	Experience	Training
<p>I. 30 semester or 45 quarter basic science units including each of the following:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">General Chemistry Lecture and Laboratory General Physics Lecture and Laboratory <b>or</b> Organic Chemistry Lecture and Laboratory General Microbiology Lecture and Laboratory General Biological Science Lecture and Laboratory Calculus or College Algebra</p>	18 months	600 hours
<p>II. 45 semester or 68 quarter basic science units including the following:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Three of the required science courses shall include a laboratory: General Chemistry Organic Chemistry General Physics General Microbiology General Biological Science Calculus or College Algebra</p>	one year	450 hours
<p>III. 30 semester or 45 quarter basic science units including each of the following:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">General Chemistry Lecture and Laboratory General Physics Lecture and Laboratory <b>or</b> Organic Chemistry Lecture and Laboratory General Microbiology Lecture and Laboratory General Biological Science Lecture and Laboratory Calculus or College Algebra</p>	9 months	300 hours

**Plus**

Three semester or four quarter unit  
courses in each of the following:

Epidemiology

Statistics

Public Administration or Environmental Health Administration

**And**

10 semester or 15 quarter units in environmental health  
science including one or more of the following:

water quality, waste management, food and consumer protection, housing and  
institution sanitation, vector control, recreational health, air quality, milk and  
dairy products, occupational health, electromagnetic radiation, noise control,  
toxicology, soil science, or land use development.

IV. 45 semester or 68 quarter basic science                      6 months              200 hours  
units including the following:

Three of the required science courses  
shall include a laboratory:

General Chemistry

Organic Chemistry

General Physics

General Microbiology

General Biological Science

Calculus or College Algebra

**Plus**

Three semester or four quarter unit  
courses in each of the following:

Epidemiology

Statistics

Public Administration or Environmental Health Administration

**And**

10 semester or 15 quarter units in environmental health  
science including one or more of the following:

water quality, waste management, food and consumer protection, housing and  
institution sanitation, vector control, recreational health, air quality, milk and  
dairy products, occupational health, electromagnetic radiation, noise control,  
toxicology, soil science, or land use development.

V. Possess a minimum of a bachelor's degree in environmental health from an institution approved by the committee which includes:	None required	None required
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One year of lecture and laboratory coursework in each of the following:

General Chemistry  
General Physics  
General Biological Science

**And**

One semester course in each of the following:

Calculus or College Algebra  
Organic Chemistry  
General Microbiology with Laboratory  
Public Administration or Environmental Health Administration  
Epidemiology  
Statistics  
Field Orientation Course in Environmental Health

**And**

Fifteen semester units of environmental health science courses selected from the following:

water quality, waste management, food and consumer protection, housing and institution sanitation, vector control, recreational health, air quality, milk and dairy products, occupational health, electromagnetic radiation, noise control, toxicology, soil science, or land use development.

All basic science coursework including mathematics shall be equal to that acceptable in an approved environmental health degree program.\*

\*NOTE: A basic science is a course that provides the student an understanding of the fundamental principles of the subject. Science courses must normally be acceptable to a science degree. Courses designed only for liberal arts, general education, or nonscience degrees are not acceptable. Remedial mathematics and science courses are not acceptable as meeting the basic science requirements. Credit will not be allowed for more than one course with essentially the same content. The general sciences must be integrative courses that include those principles essential to the overall discipline. The remaining basic science courses may be limited to one or more divisions within the discipline and may be more descriptive in their approach.

College algebra (third-year algebra) is a course for which intermediate algebra or trigonometry shall normally be a prerequisite.

## Correspondence Courses

### Option II

**These courses may not be used to satisfy a laboratory requirement.** The Environmental Health Specialist Registration Committee has approved the following correspondence courses to use to satisfy the education requirements of Health and Safety Code 106635 Option II. **Only the stated course numbers are approved.**

Biol. 1100, Introduction to Microbiology, Utah State University, (800) 233-2137.

Math 1050, College Algebra, Utah State University, (800) 233-2137.

Organic Chemistry X18, University of California Media and Independent Learning, Berkeley, CA, (510) 642-4124.

Physics 2001, General Physics, Louisiana State University, (800) 234-5046.

Biol. 1009, General Biology (1601), University of Minnesota, (800) 234-6564.

### Options III and IV

The Environmental Health Specialist Registration Committee has approved the following correspondence courses to use to satisfy the education requirements of Health and Safety Code 106635 Options III and IV. **Only the stated course numbers are approved.**

STAT 2000, Statistical Methods, Utah State University, (800) 233-2137.

PUBH 5020, Fundamentals of Epidemiology, Utah State University, (800) 233-2137.

Pol Sci 350, About Public Administration, Ball State University, (800) 872-0369

Polsc 3700, Intro to Public Admin., Weber State University, (801) 626-6785.

## Foreign Transcripts

**Foreign transcripts** must be evaluated for course equivalency by a commercial credential evaluation service. Therefore, in addition to submitting your application and nonrefundable fee to the Environmental Health Specialist (EHS) Registration Program, you will need to forward your **official transcripts** to a commercial credential evaluation service such as is listed below. These services operate for a fee based on the extent of education evaluated. Request that the evaluation service forward a letter to the EHS Registration Program stating whether or not your degree is equivalent to a bachelor's degree offered by a United States college or university. The evaluation must indicate whether or not your degree includes lecture and/or laboratory instruction for general basic science courses required of **science majors** including **inorganic chemistry, organic chemistry, physics, biology, microbiology, and calculus or college algebra (third-year algebra)**. This letter from the credential evaluation service must state that these courses have been successfully completed and must indicate the number of equivalent United States semester units each course represents. (**NOTE:** This list is supplied for informational purposes only and in no way implies formal recognition or approval by the Department of Health Services of the agencies listed or their advisory interpretations.)

### Credential Evaluation Services

Academic and Professional International  
Evaluations, Inc.  
PO Box 5787  
Los Alamitos CA 90721-5787  
(562) 594-6498  
[www.apie.org](http://www.apie.org)

Center for Applied Research, Evaluation  
& Education, Inc.  
PO Box 20348  
Long Beach CA 90801  
(562) 430-8215  
[evalcaree@earthlink.net](mailto:evalcaree@earthlink.net)

Educational Credential Evaluators, Inc.  
PO Box 514070  
Milwaukee WI 53202-0970  
(414) 289-3400  
[www.ece.org](http://www.ece.org)

Education International, Inc.  
29 Denton Road  
Wellesley MA 02181  
(781) 235-7425  
[www.educationinternational.org](http://www.educationinternational.org)

Educational Records Evaluation Service,  
Inc.  
601 University Ave. suite #127  
Sacramento CA 95825  
(916) 921-0790  
[www.eres.com](http://www.eres.com)

Evaluation Service, Inc.  
PO Box 1455  
Albany NY 12201  
(518) 672-4522  
Foreign Academic Credential Service,  
Inc.  
PO Box 400  
Glen Carbon IL 62034  
(618) 656-5291  
[www.facusa.com](http://www.facusa.com)

Foundation for International Services,  
Inc.  
21540 30<sup>th</sup> Dr SE, suite #320  
Bothell WA 98021  
(425) 487-2245  
[www.fis-web.com](http://www.fis-web.com)

International Consultants of Delaware,  
Inc.

625 Barksdale Rd. suite #109

Newark DE 19711-3258

(302) 737-8715

<http://icdel.com>

International Educational Research  
Foundation, Inc.

PO Box 3665

Culver City CA 90231

(310) 258-9451

[www.ierf.org](http://www.ierf.org)

Josef Silny & Associates, Inc.

International Education Consultants

7101 SW 102 Ave.

Miami, FL 33173

(305) 273-1616

[www.jsilny.com](http://www.jsilny.com)

SpanTran Educational Services, Inc.

7211 Regency Square Blvd #205

Houston TX 77036-3197

(713) 266-8805

[www.spantran-edu.org](http://www.spantran-edu.org)

World Education Services, Inc.

PO Box 745

Old Chelsea Station

New York NY 10113-0745

(800) 937-3895

[www.wes.org](http://www.wes.org)